

SECTION 426. “NF” ZONE, NATIONAL FOREST DISTRICT.

A. PURPOSE:

This district is intended to prescribe permissible uses for Prescott National Forest lands currently subject to the jurisdiction of the United States Forest Service (USFS) and located within the corporate boundaries of the City.

B. PERMITTED USES.

All uses are subject to the provisions of the “Prescott National Forest Land Use and Resource Management Plan” and other applicable USFS policies, approvals and/or management provisions.

C. APPROVALS REQUIRED.

Before the construction of physical improvements, approval of the USFS shall be obtained.

D. PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS.

Property development standards prescribed by the USFS shall apply to all land and buildings permitted in the National Forest district.

E. TRANSFER OF NATIONAL FOREST LANDS TO PRIVATE OWNERSHIP.

In the event that any lands designated National Forest under USFS jurisdiction are transferred into private ownership, only those developments, uses or physical improvements in existence at the time of transfer and approved by the USFS shall be allowed to continue until such time as the property owner initiates a rezoning request, and the property is rezoned to allow a change in the development patterns or use of the property. Minor repairs and routine maintenance of existing structures are permitted, however: (1) An existing structure may not be enlarged or extended in such a way as to occupy any part of the site that was not occupied at the time of USFS jurisdiction; and (2) No use may be enlarged or extended in such a way as to occupy any part of a structure that was not occupied at the time of USFS jurisdiction.